

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Harihar)—I have one submission to make. The other day, when two hon. Members of this House, viz., Sri Veerendra Patil and Sri Ramakrishna Hegde felt that their reputation was at stake you were pleased to give them an earliest opportunity for personal explanation. Sri K. H. Patil could not make personal explanation yesterday as the House was adjourned at 6-00 P.M. and therefore today is the earliest opportunity for him. The allegations made against him are far more serious. With regard to the privilege motion, you can call the hon. Member to your chamber and discuss with him. But, so far as the personal explanation is concerned, you have to give him an opportunity today.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall go through the records and I shall give him the earliest opportunity. I want the Hon. Minister also to be present.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—There is no need for you to go through the records so far as personal explanation is concerned. When hon. Member Sri Veerendra Patil got up on the very same day you gave him an opportunity. My hon. friend is also entitled for the earliest opportunity. There should be no discrimination.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall give him an opportunity during the course of the day. I shall give notice to the Hon. Minister also.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Sir, he is expected to be here. You would probably remember that in my case he was not at all available for 1½ years and I was denied an opportunity to give my personal explanation.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I shall do it in the course of the day.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಶಿವಪ್ಪ.—ನನಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿರುವ ಹಾಗೆ ಶ್ರೀಮಾನ್ ನಾಡಗೌಡರು ಇಂಥಾ ಪ್ರಸಂಗ ಬಂದಾಗ ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಈ ಅಧಿವೇಶನ ಮುಗಿಯುವವರೆಗೂ ಅವರು ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಅವರು ಖಾಯಿರೆ ಎಂದು ಮಲಗುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅವರು ಬರುವವರೆಗೂ ಕಾಯಿರೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರೆ ಹೇಗೆ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is not correct to cast aspersions. I have promised that I shall give him an opportunity in the course of the day, and in the meanwhile I shall send word to the Hon. Minister also. Even if the Hon. Minister does not come, Sri K. H. Patil will have an opportunity to make a personal explanation.

Procedure to take up the Demands departmental wise

Sri AZIZ SAIT (Narasimharaja).—Sir, the Business Advisory Committee reports are very much confusing. I have every respect for the members of the Business Advisory Committee. But, important demands like Muzrai, etc., are clubbed with other demands and members are not given an opportunity to discuss those matters. Yesterday, demands pertaining to Food and Civil supplies were clubbed with

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Co-operation. Even today also, Social and Developmental Organisations demands have been clubbed with Taxes on Vehicles. Muzrai is a very important department and has been completely ignored. We cannot discuss matters in detail because we are not prepared to extend the time of the Assembly; we are not prepared to take 'vote on account'. Everywhere there is corruption, nepotism, agitation, hunger strikes and so on. One thing I would like to say that for heaven's sake do not call the Leader to the rescue when the members start speaking.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Will the hon. Member resume his seat now?

SRI AZIZ SAIT.—Sir, I know that the last punishment with the Speaker is to see that I withdraw.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I think the hon. Member is not speaking in a responsible way. I am very sorry, the way in which the hon. Member is speaking is not proper. He should be very careful. Now next item.

Calling Attention to matters of urgent Public Importance

re : Buring of huts near Hatti Gold Mines, Raichur District

SRI K. SANGAN GOWDA (Lingsugur).—Sir, I call the attention of the Hon. Chief Minister to the burning of huts near Hatti Gold Mines, Raichur District.

SRI MANIKRAO PATIL (Deputy Minister for Home).—Sir, it is reported that there were about 150 huts situated in S. No. 44 of Hatti village. These huts were built by palmyra leaves and bamboos except a few which had zinc sheet roofs. About 75 employee of Hatti Gold Mines, including one Sri Raju, an ex-employees of Hatti Gold Mines, were occupying these huts. A hotel and the office of the Hatti Gold Mines Company Employees' Association were also located here.

On 21st February 1970, at about 2 P.M. the hut of Sri Raju caught fire when he and his wife were away for washing clothes leaving behind their son aged about 6 years in the hut. The hut is reported to have caught fire accidentally from the hearth. Immediately the boy came out of the hut and raised an alarm. By the time the neighbours could put out the fire, it spread to the neighbouring huts due to strong breeze. On receipt of information the local Police rushed to the spot with available men to put down the fire. All these huts were reduced to ashes in about an hour despite the earnest efforts made both by the people and the local police, to extinguish the fire. The total loss of property is estimated at Rs. 1 lakh including the currency notes of Rs. 3,863 being the gratuity amount received by Sri Raju from the Company two days prior to the incident. No loss of life is reported.